

OVERVIEW OF THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

The Kentucky Board of Dentistry is governed by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and is a separate and distinct entity from any professional association. The main functions of the Board are to regulate the dental profession and protect the public in matters related to dentistry. The Board is self-supporting and does not receive a general fund tax appropriation.

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ONLINE DENTAL LICENSE RENEWALS AVAILABLE

All Kentucky dental licenses will expire on December 31, 2009 and must be properly renewed before that date to avoid suspension. Licensees can renew their dental licenses online at <http://dentistry.ky.gov>; renewing a dental license online is fast, convenient, and secure. Online renewals are currently open and will be available until December 31, 2009. However, all licensees should make sure their renewal is completed and received by the Board office by December 15, 2009 to ensure that it is processed before the end of the renewal period.

The renewal fee is \$230 for each biennial period (2010-2011). A reinstatement fee of \$50 will be added to the initial \$230 renewal fee for applications received by the Board after December 31, 2009. Paper renewal applications will only be mailed to dentists who provide the Board with a written request for a paper application.

All licensees are required to fill out their own renewal applications, and will verify this by signing the renewal application. Applicants who attempt to obtain a license fraudulently are subject to discipline by the Board, as stated in KRS 313.130(2).

Please note that 201 KAR 8:015 requires dentists to verify that commercial lab work is only performed by dental laboratories that have been properly registered with the Board. In order to renew a dental license, dentists must provide contact information for all of the dental laboratories they use.

Additionally, any dentist who is required to complete a CHFS-approved HIV/AIDS course in 2009 can complete his renewal online, but it will not be processed until the Board office receives proof of attendance at an approved course by mail or by fax. **You may complete your renewal online before finishing all of your CE requirements provided that you do complete them by December 31, 2009.**

All dental hygiene licenses will expire on December 31, 2010; hygienists cannot renew their licenses in 2009.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AUDITS

In early 2009, one half of the Kentucky licensed dental hygienists were audited for proof of continuing education hours. Please be assured that following the current renewal cycle, at least that same percentage of licensed dentists will also be audited.

The audit process is used to ensure that licensees are complying with the minimum legal requirement to maintain their licensure.

If you are audited following this renewal cycle, you will need to submit the following documentation to the Board office within 15 days.

- Copies of certificates of attendance for 30 hours of continuing education, including 20 category B and 10 category C, from the 2008-2009 calendar years that clearly indicate your name, the course title and provider, the date and location of attendance, the number of hours earned, and a Board approval number if applicable.
- A photocopy of the front and back of your American Red Cross or American Heart Association CPR or BLS card which was valid on the date you renewed your license.

If you have attended a course but are unsure if it counts as category B or category C, please send a written request for individual continuing education course approval, including a copy of the course outline, attendance information, your name, your license number, and any address updates, to the Board office.

Do not submit these requests on the CE approval form used by course providers. Processing of individual continuing education approvals can take up to ten business days. More information on continuing education requirements, including the applicable regulation, is available on our website.

POSSIBLE REVISIONS TO THE DENTAL PRACTICE ACT

Many of you may have read in a recent edition of the KDA Today that the Kentucky Board of Dentistry is considering a proposed review of the Kentucky Dental Practice Act. The Board has formed a Legislative Committee which has invited input from the KDA, KDHA, AGD, University of Louisville, and University of Kentucky and others.

In September, the Board reviewed a draft document and approved it for further work by the Legislative Committee. This draft document is available for download on the Board's website at the following address: http://dentistry.ky.gov/legislative_update.htm.

Please understand that this project has less to do with the way the actual practice of dentistry is carried out on a daily basis and more to do with reorganizing the current law to make it more user friendly and more easily understood by those regulated by it.

The Legislative Committee would like to encourage you to read the draft language and then feel free to make comments to your representatives in dentistry, whether they are members of the Kentucky Board of Dentistry, KDA or KDHA board members, KYAGD members, or others. Should you wish to do so, please send your comments to the Board's Executive Director at briank.bishop@ky.gov and he will pass them on to the committee for review and consideration.

The Legislative Committee appreciates your interest in the possible changes to the Kentucky Dental Practice Act and looks forward to continuing our discussion on this important topic.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

In an effort to be more transparent to the public, the Board voted on November 8, 2008 to post in full a PDF file of the Final Order for all final Board actions taken from July 1, 2008 forward. Therefore, this section will now contain only the name and case number for individuals against whom the Board has taken action, except in cases where more information must be published pursuant to a final order. The full final order for each of these cases is available at the Board's website, <http://dentistry.ky.gov>, under the *Complaints and Discipline* tab on the left-hand side of the page. Authority for the online distribution of public records is granted by KRS 61.874(6).

Final Order

08-13 Theodore L Logan, Jr, DMD
"On May 0, 2009, the Board publicly reprimanded the dentistry license of Theodore L. Logan, Jr., D.M.D. for submitting with his renewal application for the 2008-2010 renewal cycle a copy of an altered CPR card, for which he was fined \$600 and given additional reporting requirements for two future renewal cycles." [sic]

Immediate Temporary Suspensions

08-149 Rodney Whitaker, DMD
09-006 Mackenzie Brandenburger, RDH
09-012 Charles B Conley, DMD
09-077 George Keith Miller, DMD
09-086 Benedict Sims Haydon, DMD

Cease & Desist Orders

09-049 Lanerins Professional Teeth Whitening
08/2009 Spot Smiles
2009 Mattress Gallery

Settlement Agreements

07-52 Virginia Beth Sergeant, RDH
07-055 Leslie R Davis, DMD
07-082 Mary Todd Stephenson, DMD
07-087, 93, 103, 110, 116 Jodi L Koford, DMD
07-129 Jason R Smith, DMD
07-164 Wes Mills, DMD
07-167 Robert S. Adkins, DMD
07-167 Dinah M Hopper, RDH
07-168 Richard A Reams, DMD
07-169 Daniel R Watkins, DMD
07-170 Danny Collins, DMD
08-25 Kenneth Sutton, DMD
08-91-A Kerry Woolum, DMD
08-91-B Joseph Boster, DMD
08-91-C Mansfield Dixon, DMD
08-100A Scott E Holmes, DMD
08-107 James Timothy Holt, DMD
08-141A-1 Donise Altom, RDH
08-141A-5 Dana Winfrey Cornelius, RDH
08-141A-8 Lori A Doss, RDH
08-141A-9 Krista Ann Ethington, RDH
08-141A-11 Kristie D Holloway, RDH

08-141A-12 Erin Kaptur, RDH
08-141A-13 Ashley Dawn Miller, RDH
08-141A-16 Brittany Noel, RDH
08-141A-17 Michelle Marie Oliveri, RDH
08-141A-19 Kendra Satterfield, RDH
08-141A-22 Danielle M Jagggers, RDH
08-160 Curtis Spatz, DMD
09-002 Jeffrey Randall Brown, DMD
09-007 Phillip E. Henderlight, DMD
09-34A Mary Melissa Manning, RDH
09-34A Kandace G Stineman, RDH
09-34A Brandy Hamilton, RDH
09-34A-01 Elizabeth E Beiting, RDH
09-34A-02 Kathleen W Jones, RDH
09-34A-04 Silvia K Sarkan, RDH
09-34A-06 Mary C Reed, RDH
09-34A-07 Lori A Hahn, RDH
09-34A-08 Kimberlee R Ledbetter, RDH
09-34A-09 Kimberly P Lindsey, RDH
09-34A-10 Stacy Meline Sampson-Sandy, RDH
09-34A-12 Jessica Pieters, RDH
09-34A-13 Diana Lynn Ingalls, RDH
09-34A-14 Brenda Lea Kibiloski, RDH
09-34A-16 Ginger Susanne Frasure, RDH
09-34A-17 Jodie Lynn Tewell, RDH
09-34A-18 Bridget Elaine Bentley, RDH
09-34A-19 Angela L Caudill, RDH
09-34A-20 Patricia Marlane Stanley, RDH
09-34A-22 Ruby Jean Gambill, RDH
09-34A-23 Lisa Kay Gammon, RDH
09-34A-24 Kimberly G Wilder, RDH
09-34A-25 Kelley Ann Street Frederick, RDH
09-34A-26 Leigh Ann Terry, RDH
09-34A-27 Jill W Hazelwood, RDH
09-34A-28 Jeni Meade, RDH
09-34A-29 Jessica Ashley Wilson, RDH
09-34A-30 Leah Vaughan, RDH
09-34A-31 Vanessa Gail Petty, RDH
09-34A-33 Janice Marie Moore, RDH
09-34A-34 Jennifer Marie Stephens, RDH
09-34A-35 Deena K Cunningham, RDH
09-34A-36 Pamela Dawn Whitley, RDH
09-34A-37 Ellen Buckman Roberts, RDH

09-34A-38 Laura Ann Wheatley, RDH
09-34A-39 Tonya Dee Willis, RDH
09-34A-40 Leah Hisle Hart, RDH
09-34A-41 Jennifer Lee Paul, RDH
09-34A-42 April Rachelle Brown, RDH
09-34A-43 Mary A Coley, RDH
09-34A-45 Sonya Rene Pitz, RDH
09-34A-46 Danya Hope Winkler, RDH
09-34A-47 Sarah L Smoot Massey, RDH
09-34A-48 Tina H Borders, RDH
09-34A-49 Danielle Lee Howard, RDH
09-34A-50 Leah Ka'rell Baker, RDH
09-34A-51 Kimberly J Ayer, RDH
09-34A-52 Teresa Ann Buckler, RDH
09-34A-53 Angelina Schauseil, RDH
09-34A-54 Teresa Terhune, RDH
09-34A-55 Crystal Teigh Aliyev, RDH
09-34A-57 Ashley Dawn Dungan-Phelps, RDH
09-34A-58 Kathy Lynn Moore, RDH
09-34A-59 Hillery Ann Martin, RDH
09-34A-60 Kandess B Thomas Price, RDH
09-34A-61 Jennifer Renee Corbett, RDH
09-34A-62 Barbara Jean Hall, RDH
09-34B-01 Leslie H McDonald, RDH
09-34B-02 Lillian Daniels-Chalupa, RDH
09-34B-05 Michelle Ramone Cornwell, RDH
09-34B-06 Dava W. Miller, RDH
09-34B-10 Monica Sue Newton, RDH
09-34B-11 Melody Dawn White, RDH
09-34B-14 Carolyn Reese Higbee, RDH
09-34B-15 Jessica Morgan Minton, RDH
09-34B-16 Rachael L Riley Cook, RDH
09-34B-18 Sarah Kristen McBee, RDH
09-34C Kelly Boernsen, RDH
09-34C-01 Mia M Grott, RDH
09-34C-02 Elizabeth Erin Howard, RDH
09-34C-03 Jonathan Martin Kirt, RDH
09-34C-04 Patricia Ann Conway, RDH
09-34C-07 Carla S McClain, RDH
09-34C-08 Tammy M Smith, RDH
09-34KK Ashley Kendall Kiker, RDH
09-SLL Thomas Lawrence Peterson, DMD

DENTAL HYGIENE LAW CHANGES

Governor Steve Beshear signed House Bill 336 into law on April 22, 2009. This legislation amended KRS 313.010 and KRS 313.310 as they relate to dental hygiene.

- The words "dental hygiene assessment" were added to the definition of dental hygiene in KRS 313.010.
- KRS 313.310 now allows a hygienist to practice without the supervision of a dentist if and only if they are providing screening services in order to fulfill the requirements of KRS 156.160(1)(i), which requires children attending a public school in Kentucky to have a dental screening or examination on record.
- KRS 313.310 now requires that a patient be notified in advance of an appointment for dental hygiene services when the supervising dentist will be absent from the location. The notification is no longer required to be at least three business days in advance.
- KRS 313.310(5) now states that a hygienist may practice under general supervision at dental health programs operated through a national, state, district, or local dental hygienist association in addition to other opportunities that were already legally available.

Please refer to <http://dentistry.ky.gov/laws.htm> for the full text of the current statutes and regulations that govern dentistry in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

DENTISTS BEWARE!

In recent months the Kentucky Board of Dentistry has seen a dramatic increase in the number of complaints received involving drugs and drug trafficking. In many cases, dental assistants or hygienists have been placed in charge of ordering general supplies for the office and have used their employing dentist's DEA number to obtain various narcotics without the dentist's knowledge. Thousands of doses of medications have been obtained in this manner and used by the offender for sale or personal consumption.

The Board cautions you to review your practice procedures for ordering general supplies. Please ensure that you have policies in place for reviewing both orders and goods received. In all of the cases the Board has reviewed, the individuals ordering supplies had complete control over the ordering process with no one else performing an audit of goods received.

These simple practices can be used to make sure your practice is not spending money on drugs you don't use or aiding an individual with a drug related problem in obtaining legal drugs for an illegal purpose.

- Ensure there are at least two people involved in the procurement process. One person can place the orders and another can stock the inventory when it comes in.
- Always have the individual who stocks the supplies check the supplies received against those ordered.
- If there is inconsistency in the supplies ordered and those received, immediately contact the company from which you ordered the supplies and have them send you complete copies of the order forms they have received from your office.

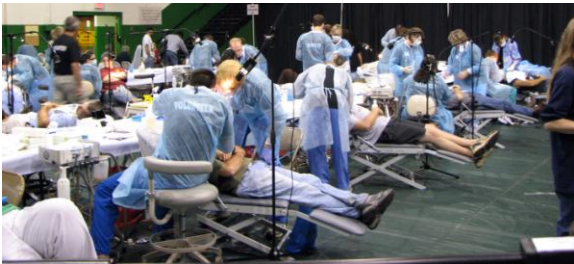
Remember, your DEA license is an important responsibility and you must be involved with your office staff to ensure you are not taken advantage of. Taking time to develop a professional relationship with your office staff and enforcing oversight policies can help you to avoid situations like those detailed above.

CHARITABLE DENTISTRY

Twice this year Board members and Board staff have had the opportunity to participate in charitable dental clinics organized by Remote Area Medical (RAM). One clinic was located in Pike County, KY, and was organized by Dr. Bill Collins, and the other was located in Letcher County, KY, and was organized by Dr. David Narramore. These events brought together students and faculty from UKCD and ULSD, volunteers from Kentucky, and volunteers licensed out-of-state who were granted charitable licenses by the Board.

The Board feels that these events, as well as other charity clinics organized throughout the state, are valuable not only for their service to patients, but also for the opportunity they give dental professionals to give back to the community and to develop skills they would be able to use in a mass disaster situation.

The charitable licensure process, which allows dentists licensed out of state to practice for a limited time in Kentucky for charitable purposes, has been streamlined following an Executive Order issued by Governor Beshear. Applicants who are currently licensed in good standing in another jurisdiction now only need to send in a completed and notarized Application to Practice Dentistry and to contact the Kentucky Department of Public Health Oral Health Program regarding their prospective charitable visit. These two steps must be completed more than 30 days in advance of their visit to Kentucky.



Patient Totals for Recent RAM Clinics					
	Extractions	Fillings	Cleanings	Exam	Total Patients
Pike Co	687	481	168	35	1106
Letcher Co	343	278	112	23	846
Totals	1030	759	280	58	1952

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Katherine King, D.M.D. of Somerset and C. Mark Fort, D.M.D. of Owensboro were appointed to the Board effective June 16, 2009. Both are serving their first terms, which will expire June 30, 2013. Dr. King graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1982, was licensed in 1982, and currently practices general dentistry. Dr. Fort graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1983, was licensed in 1983, and currently practices general dentistry.

Both appointments were the result of the election held online May 6-8, 2009. The Board would like to thank all of the licensees who voted for their time and valuable input. A total of 240 votes were cast during online polling, a number which greatly exceeds the total votes in other recent elections. Please remember that all licensed dentists may vote in every election regardless of zone of residence.

FEE CHANGES

As of July 11, 2009, **all license verifications are subject to a fee of \$40.** License verification requests must be submitted in writing to the Board office.

Additionally, the fees for lists of licensee contact information were changed effective July 11, 2009. The current fee is \$400 per list; however, lists requested for non-profit use only are subject to a reduced fee of \$100. A new Disk Order Form reflecting these changes is available on the Board's website.

REQUIRED ADDRESS CHANGES

All Dentists and Dental Hygienists licensed in Kentucky are required by KRS 313.80 and KRS 313.305 to notify the Board in writing of any address changes within ten (10) days of that change.

You may submit your address change online at: <http://dentistry.ky.gov/address.htm>

Kentucky Board of Dentistry
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CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Name _____ License # _____ ☐ Dentist ☐ Hygienist

Preferred Mailing Address for Dentists ☐ Business ☐ Residence

Business Address:

Name of Business (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ KY County: _____

Residence Address:

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ KY County: _____

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